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SUBJECT: TURKSIH FONMIN TO ATTEND ISLAMIC CONFERENCE

- 1. FOREIGN MINISTER CAGLAYANGIL WILL LEAVE ANKARA JULY 9 OR 10 FOR JUDDA TO ATTEND ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE, ACCORDING TO PRO-JUSTICE PARTY SON HAVADIS JULY 3.
- 2. COMMENT: CAGLAYANGIL'S ATTENDANCE IS BREAK WITH PREVIOUS TURKISH PRACTICE OF SENDING NO ONE HIGHER THAN MFA SECGEN TO ISLAMIC MEETINGS. GIVEN ITS ATATURKIST EMPHASIS ON IDENTITY AS SECULAR STATE, TURKEY HAS NOT WISHED TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN ISLAMIC MEETINGS, AND -- DESPITE CAGLAYANGIL'S ATTENDANCE THIS TIME -- GOT HAS PLAYED ISSUE VERY QUIETLY AND HAS GIVEN NO INDICATION THAT IT INTENDS A PERMANENT CHANGE OF COURSE. ACCORDING TO SENATE FOREIGN CONFIDENTIAL

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RELATIONS COMMITTEE INAN, WHO CONFIRMED THAT CAGLAYANGIL WOULD

ATTEND, GOT'S DECISION TO SEND FOREIGN MINISTER PRIMARILY
REFLECTS PRESSURE OF ISLAMIC-ORIENTED NATIONAL SALVATION
PARTY ON OTHER COALITION PARTNERS, BUT ALSO IS RESPONSE TO
CYPRUS PRESIDENT MAKARIOS' EFFORTS TO IMPROVE RELATIONS
WITH ARAB COUNTRIES.
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